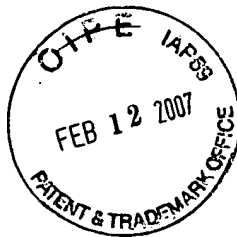


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In re Application of : Customer Number: 20277
David T. ADAMS, et al. : Confirmation Number: 7577
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It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action dated August 25, 2006, now due to expire October 25, 2006, be extended for Four month(s) and set to expire on February 25, 2007.

Please charge the extension fee of \$1590.00 to Deposit Account No. 500417. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 500417.

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